

NAMAKAGON

WINTER 2013



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NAMAKAGON LAKE ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Dear Members and Friends of the Namakagon Lake Association,

Summer is officially over and here we are heading into another winter and holiday season. How time flies. It seems like my husband and I just got through putting our boat in the water, weeding the shrubs and bushes, planting some new arrangements and getting the lawn mower ready. Again, how time flies; now we are taking the boat out, hacking down all shrubs and bushes and switching the lawn mower over to a snow blower! Pretty much what everyone does around here at certain times of the year, right? It is work but it is worth it.

If you are like us, when you sit back at night after a long, hot summer day, take a colorful walk through the woods in the fall, or sipping a cup of hot chocolate while watching the latest blizzard attack, and then finally the anticipation of what spring will bring, you must be amazed at how wonderful our little corner of the world is. How lucky are we to be able to enjoy all the four seasons the world has to offer, right here in our back yard!

As you read through our newsletter please note what the Namakagon Lake Association has been doing this past year, from putting in and taking out the buoys, lake clean up, lake inspections, lake reports and updates, Fun On The Water for kids and families of the area, volunteers helping monitoring the landings for AIS (Aquatic Invasive Species), and ILIDs (cameras) at certain landings. Above all we keep striving to help keep our lakes clean and safe for our use. If it wasn't for the wonderful volunteers we have all around us - Lakes Namakagon, Garden and Jackson would not be as pristine as they are today. Thank you all!

On behalf of the Namakagon Lake Association please have a safe and happy winter season. Enjoy!

Linda Fischer
NLA President

NLA GRANT REPORT

NLA was recently notified by WDNR's Pamela Toshner that the grant application your association filed on August 1, 2012 in the amount of \$36,724 for our Comprehensive Management Planning Grant for the Namakagon Chain of Lakes has been approved. The grant was authored by Professor Randy Lehr of Northland College's Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute and endorsed by both the Namakagon and Grand View Town Boards. In addition, both Townships have agreed to provide NLA with significant financial support to cover the Associations matching grant requirements. Needless to say, without the support of our Township's Chairmen and Supervisors, we would not have been able to accomplish this; your NLA Board is deeply grateful to our Townships and we encourage you to personally thank our Township Board members.

Specifically, the primary goals of our proposal as written by Professor Lehr are as follows:

1. Synthesize the existing data for the Namakagon Chain of Lakes related to lake uses, water quality, fisheries and aquatic plants.
2. Expand water quality data collection and develop a watershed nutrient budget and in-lake aquatic response model for Jackson Lake, Garden Lake and Lake Namakagon.
3. Identify opportunities for shoreland restoration.
4. Implement a comprehensive stakeholder engagement process to review the existing and newly collected data and develop a comprehensive set of lake management goals and management alternatives that encompass public usage, water quality and biological communities throughout the Namakagon Chain of Lakes.

The bottom line is your Association in partnership with WDNR, Northland College and our Town Boards will do everything we can to improve and protect our Chain of Lakes and the environment it depends upon. That is our Job One and we get it! Thank all of you for helping us in this endeavor.

Submitted by
Steve Riley

**Better LATE
than NEVER!**

As we head into 2013, we want to express our appreciation for the volunteers and the towns of Grand View and Namakagon for their continued generous support of our organization and efforts to keep our waters clean.

NAMAKAGON LAKE ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 20, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 by President Phil Rasmussen

Board Members Present: Linda Fischer, Denise Dupras, Steven Riley, Julia Campbell

NLA Member Attendees: 66

Guests: 3 (Mike Gardner, Roger Dreher, Jeremy Bates)

President Phil Rasmussen invited those at the meeting to introduce themselves and indicate where on the lake they have property.

Minutes of August 21, 2010 Annual Meeting

Reviewed by Board and membership in attendance. Corrections were made. A motion to approve was made by Steve Riley and seconded by Linda Fischer. The minutes were approved.

Treasures Report:

Submitted by Tim Browne. The report was read by Linda Fisher. The General Accounting balance as of 8/15/2011 was reported as \$28,837.23. A motion to approve was made by Steve Riley and seconded by Denise Dupras. The report was approved. There was a brief discussion about the cost of Fun on the Water and suggestions to request money from the towns to support this annual event. The possibility of using an accounting program such as quick books was also suggested.

Guest Speaker:

Mr. Roger Dreher (Tri-Lakes Assn & BCLF) made a presentation about multiple unit developments (MUD) and concerns about the potential for negative impact on lakes. He suggested that the NLA endorse a resolution for an Equal Shoreline Frontage Density Overlay District. He also recommended we pass this information on the Towns of Namakagon and Grand View. The ordinance would not affect current owners, their properties would be grandfathered in. Steve Riley reminded the members that proactive measures for lake protection are part of our mission statement. After discussion, Steve Riley made a motion that we endorse the resolution. This was seconded by Denise Dupras and approved by the Board.

The resolution follows:

"The Namakagon Lake Association Board strongly supports the action for the Towns of Namakagon and Grand View to petition Bayfield County to adopt a zoning ordinance overlay district which requires equal shoreline frontage density for all type of development within the shore land zones abutting lakes and streams in the Towns of Namakagon and Grand View."

Re-Cap of Accomplishments:

Denise Dupras read a list of accomplishments and thanked volunteers for their efforts.

- Buoy placement/removal, lake clean-up, water testing, installation of new signs.
- Landing monitoring with the Northland College students has been very helpful. Julia Campbell indicated that 817 individuals were contacted at the landings. Julia and Jim Krueger were recognized for their contribution of lodging for the students.
- Ruth Lull has started a Facebook page for the NLA
- Janet Porter is our Loon Ranger and coordinating observations on the lake
- Newsletters and better ways of distributing were discussed

- Events – special thanks to Julia Campbell, Linda Fischer, Steve Riley, Al Stawicki, Charlie Best, Gerry Juries
- The volunteer appreciation dinner was a success and will be repeated.
- Fun on the Water was delayed until Sunday because of weather but was a success

Membership paid through 2011 stands at 218, down from a high of 464 in 2007.

Correspondance:

Denise Dupras read an email from Steven Spickerman, Plant Ecologist with the US Forest Service. A 3 day lake survey did not find any AIS. They plan to survey every 5 years. The Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission also surveyed for other invasive (non-plant) and did not find any concerns.

Board Candidates:

Denise Dupras introduced Barb Best who is a candidate for the Board and the other candidate Steve Musser who was unable to be at the meeting. There were no nominations from the floor.

Election:

Linda Fischer and Julia Campbell were the official vote counters. Ballots received by mail were not available at the time of the meeting. Julia Campbell will add them to the counted (25) ballots to determine if we have a valid election. The membership will be notified next week of the outcome of the election.

Old Business:

- FOTH Update – Brian Hinrichs has contacted the Board indicating that the NLA still owes money to FOTH. Tim Browne has given a list of payments to Denise Dupras. She and Steve Riley will work together on resolving these issues.
- The students from Northland college monitored the landings for additional hours last year. The NLA owes Northland \$545 for this. Denise Dupras made a motion that the NLA pay this money and also contract with the students for additional monitoring hours this year. Steve Riley seconded the motion. It was approved.
- Hwy D Landing Update – nothing has happened this year. The initial plans could not be completed. It is unclear what will happen at that site.
- Grant Updates – there are no new updates
- ILID Video Reviews – pending completion

New Business:

Denise Dupras briefly discussed the WebSite and plans to have it updated this year.

Speaker:

Mr. Mike Gardner from Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute gave a presentation on the history of the Namakagon Lake Association and the monitoring of the lake's health. He also discussed the 2 categories of grants available and noted the deadlines. (Lake Protection and Classification & Lake Management Planning) He also recommended that the NLA think about what our needs are and use comprehensive planning to develop a plan for strategic action. He indicated that there are missing pieces so that a state of the lake report would not be comprehensive at this time.

A motion to adjourn was made by Denise Dupras at 11:32 and seconded by Linda Fischer. The meeting was adjourned.

Following the meeting, the remaining Board met briefly, discussed the volunteer appreciation dinner and set it for October 8th. We will ask Kenny Becker to cook a fish boil, and set the next meeting date for either September 17 or 24 depending on availability of Board members.

NAMAKAGON LAKE ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 2, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 by President Linda Fischer.

Board Members Present: Denise Dupras, Greg Dehring, Julia Campbell, Barb Best, Steve Riley, Steve Musser

NLA Member Attendees: 3

Minutes of April 21, 2012 Meeting

Read by Denise Dupras. Reviewed by Board and membership in attendance. A motion to approve with minor corrections was made by Steve Musser and seconded by Steve Riley. The minutes were approved.

Treasures Report:

Read by Steve Musser. Deposits to date for 2012 total \$4330.00 and reflect dues and donations. Total expenditures to date for 2012 total \$16,955.95. Of the expenditures, \$15,310.00 was paid to Environmental Sentry Protection. Discussion ensued regarding these expenditures and the ongoing expense of \$1800/ILID per year. We will be submitting a report to the WDNR for reimbursement of approximately \$7000. The current checking balance as of 5/19/2012 is \$460.28; the CD value is \$11,956.35; for a total Equity of \$12,416.63. A motion to approve was made by Steve Riley and seconded by Denise Dupras. The report was approved.

Grant Update:

Steve Riley updated the Board on the current status. Steve Riley has received a letter from of support from the town of Namakagon and will get one from the town of Grand View. He read a letter from Pam Toschner of the WDNR that raised concerns about the content of the proposed project that had been submitted for the February deadline. He plans to meet with Randy Lehr, from the Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute and will also meet with Pam Toschner to ensure that the proposal will meet requirements and be competitive for funding. The new grant deadline is August 1, 2012.

ILIDs Video Review:

Linda Fischer has been viewing most of the videos. Denise Dupras is working on a week in May. Janet Porter volunteered to view some as well. There will be a plan for volunteers to sign up for a week. Those who helped last year will be asked and we will continue to look for volunteers. The time spent on this task should be recorded so that we can be credited by the WDNR for this effort. There continue to be some issues with the sensitivity of the monitors and Linda Fischer will discuss this with Eric Lindberg. Bill Porter has volunteered to clear some of the grass at Funny Bay landing to minimize interference with the camera view.

Landing Monitors:

Julia Campbell continues to work with the Sigurd Olson institute to get students as landing monitors. The topic of where monitors should be stationed was discussed and Steve Riley will present the option of moving the monitors to the campground where we have no ILID or current system for either monitoring the launches or educating boaters.



Fun on the Water:

Dates have been set for July. Saturday the 21st is the primary date with Sunday the 22nd as back up. Linda Fischer and Al Stawicki are working to get t-shirt sponsors. Ms. Jill Scharpner has agreed to come to the event and provide an educational session. The posters are in the process of being designed. There was consensus that this is an important event and we will continue to make efforts to minimize the costs to the NLA.

Brochure Racks:

Denise Dupras brought in the brochure racks. Five racks were purchased and the selected sites for them are Four Seasons, Lakewoods, County D landing, Pioneer Club and the Federal Campground. Julia Campbell, Greg Dehring, Barb Best, and Denise Dupras will get the racks delivered and brochures will be distributed. If a rack cannot be put up at the Campground, we will have one at the Loon Saloon.

New Business:

- Denise Dupras presented a proposal from Jim Brakken to place a link on our web-site and/or newsletter item about a book he has published. In return he would offer \$3 to the NLA. After discussion, the Board recommended we decline his offer. Denise Dupras will communicate with him regarding this.
- Upcoming Meetings were announced: this information will be placed on the web
 - 2012 NW Wisconsin Lakes Conference – June 22, Spooner, WI
 - 32nd International Symposium of the North American Lake Management Society – November 7-9, Madison, WI

Old Business:

- Grand View town contribution to the NLA. Steve Riley provided information that he received from Howard Sibbald. He will attend a Grand View meeting and discuss the town's role in supporting the NLA.
- Denise Dupras presented a bill to the NLA for \$652.50 for the non-toxic sinkers that Jim Brakken gave Phil Rasmussen at the June 2011 NLA meeting held at Lakewoods. The NLA does not have these sinkers. The Board directed Denise Dupras to let Jim Brakken know that this is an issue between him and Phil Rasmussen.
- Membership update: Denise Dupras has sent an e-mail survey to prior members from 2008-10. For those without e-mail a postcard mailing was done with the survey link. She indicated that there was at least 12 responders out of the 41 emailed. An update will be presented at the next meeting.
- New Board members – Linda Fischer and Julia Campbell will complete their three year term this year. Greg Dehring was appointed for a 1 year term and is willing to run for the additional 2 years of the three year term. We will need to identify potential candidates in order to get the bio sheets out before the meeting.
- Timing of Dues – it became apparent that there is confusion about the deadline for paying dues for the year. In the past it was 60 days prior to the Annual Meeting date. This created confusion and the by-laws had been amended to reflect a June 1 deadline. However, the newsletter and membership sheet is confusing. A motion was made by Steve Riley to move the due date for dues in 2012 to July 1, 2012. This was seconded by Greg Dehring and unanimously approved. Denise Dupras will get the new information out in emails and also on the website so that members can pay and be eligible to vote at the Annual Meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made by Denise Dupras at 10:18 AM and seconded by Greg Dehring. The meeting was adjourned.

NAMAKAGON LAKE ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

JULY 14, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 by President Linda Fischer.

Board Members Present: Denise Dupras, Greg Dehring, Julia Campbell, Barb Best, Steve Riley, Steve Musser

Attendees:

Minutes of June 2, 2012 Meeting

Read by Denise Dupras. Reviewed by Board and membership in attendance. A motion to approve with was made by Steve Musser and seconded by Steve Riley. The minutes were approved.

Treasures Report:

Read by Steve Musser. He explained that we receive a refund from EPS and the bill was submitted to the Town of Namakagon who will pay EPS directly. Due to accounting practices bills must be submitted to the Town for payment as they cannot reimburse the NLA. Current balance as of 7/10/12 = \$16,406.23 and the CD value = \$11,960.82 for total assets of \$28,362.58. Monies continue to come in for FOTW as well as expenditures for the event. A motion to approve was made by Steve Riley and seconded by Denise Dupras. The report was approved.

Landing Monitors:

Julia Campbell continues to work with the Sigurd Olson institute to get students as landing monitors. We have a student currently at the D landing because of our grant requirements. The student is there Fri, Sat and Sun. Julia also thanked the volunteers who worked over Memorial Day weekend.

ILIDs Video Review:

Review of the videos was discussed. We hope in the future that the students will be able to view the day prior while at the landings. Julia discussed our required reviews. Linda Fischer and Janet Porter will review the Funnys bay tapes. Dianne Grage has been monitoring the County D landing and recently identified a boat launching with weeds on the trailer. This will be followed up by Julia Campbell. The Board thanked the members and reminded them to keep track of their time. Denise Dupras will monitor the Garden Lake launchings.

Grant Update:

Steve Riley updated the Board on the current status. The grant submitted for February 2012 was incomplete. Steve has the letters of support, which he read at the meetings for the towns. Steve will be meeting with members of the WDNR on July 20th to review our current draft submission. Based on the input of the WDNR, the grant application will be written with a planned submission for the February 2013 deadline. At the Annual meeting the particulars of the Grant proposal will be reviewed and Mr. Randy Lehr will be invited to the meeting so that he can answer questions.

Fun on the Water:

Next Saturday is the event. Al Stawicki and Linda Fischer presented updates. This year there will be new events for younger children. Also many of the individuals who helped in the past are not available this weekend, so we continue to need volunteers to help with this event. T-shirts are being printed and the food/misc organized. We will monitor

the costs/donations for this event in order to determine the expense to the NLA.

Survey Results:

Denise Dupras presented the information from the survey that was sent by email and US mail to individuals who were previous members. The survey was intended to find out why the membership has dropped so much. Of the approximately 80 total mailings, there were 14 completed. The majority indicated they would rejoin the NLA. Of those who did not, one did not live on the lake, one didn't come to the lake any more, and one stated that they viewed the NLA as extreme conservationists who were against any development on the lake, which was needed to improve the economics. The return was disappointing and did not provide much information.

Call for Board Members:

Denise Dupras reviewed the Board needs. We have 2 positions open for 3 year terms, and 1 position, currently filled by Greg Dehring, which should be filled for 2 years. Discussion ensued about potential candidates. Denise reminded the group that we need names and a bio by the end of the month so that ballots can be sent out in time for the annual meeting.

Annual Meeting program ideas:

Discussion of Grant, we will invite Randy Lehr from Northland College to come to the meeting for discussion. Denise also suggested we ask LoonWatch from Northland College if they would be able to put on a short program.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner:

The date of September 22nd was chosen. Will plan for event at the Namakagon Town Hall. The Board will supply the food and beverages. A volunteer list will be placed at FOTW and the Annual Meeting to help identify those who have donated time or goods to the NLA.

New Business:

Denise discussed putting a link for eLakes on website. There were no objections and she will direct the webmaster to ensure this link is on the site.

Additional updates regarding the lake quality, fishing, loon counts, osprey update were provided by Greg Dehring and Denise Dupras.

Old Business:

Denise Dupras was in contact with Ms. Cummins at the WDNR and got permission for a brochure rack at the campground. She will get this installed with the help of the WDNR.

Correspondance:

Denise Dupras read a letter from Janet and Bill Porter regarding their concerns about internet safety and their decision to discontinue network monitoring. Since the letter was originally sent, Eric Lindberg has been in contact with the Porters and matters have been resolved.

Next Meeting is the Annual meeting August 18th at 9 AM at the Namakagon Town

A motion to adjourn was made by Denise Dupras at 10:13 AM and seconded by Barb Best. The meeting was adjourned.

EARLY SUMMER LOON REPORT

The first sighting of Loons on Lake Namakagon this year was March 31.

At least 8 nesting sites were observed during May and June. We don't know the reason that some of the nests failed to produce chicks.

However, we are very happy 3 nestings each produced two chicks. So far all 6 chicks have survived. The oldest two chicks are about 10 weeks old and the other four chicks are close 7 or 8 weeks old. One of the chicks of the youngest set seems smaller than its sibling. We hope it survives to leave the lake in the fall.

Submitted by
Janet Porter
(715) 794-2601

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE 2012

At the 2012 Annual meeting, there were 200 paid members through at least 2012.

VOTING RESULTS 2012

Mr. Greg Dehring received 40 votes and Mrs. Jeanne Baxter received 25 votes. There were 5 write-in candidates. Linda Fischer received 7 votes, Julia Campbell-2, Angelo Bollero-3, Stuart Hanson-1 and Keith Rowe-1. Linda Fischer agreed to accept continue on the Board for an additional year.

AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES UPDATE – LOCAL BODIES OF WATER

While Garden, Jackson, and Namekagon remain free from AIS, the most dreaded Eurasian water milfoil, has been documented by the Wisconsin DNR in a number of surrounding lake. Please continue to keep our waters clean.

Ham Lake • Little Trade Lake • Shallow Lake
Buskey Bay • Chequamegon Bay • Eagle Lake
George Lake • Hart Lake • Lake Millicent
Sand Bar Lake • Tomahawk Lake • Twin Bear Lake
Callahan Lake • Clear Lake • Connors Lake • Hayward Lake
Lake Chippewa • Little Round Lake • Mud Lake
North Fork Chief River • Round Lake • Squaw Lake
West Fork Chippewa River • Whitefish Lake

ENVIRONMENTAL SENTRY PROTECTION REPORT 2012

In 2012, there was a significant increase in videos captured due to County D being installed and Garden Lake made operational again. While ESP reviewed 100 videos per month per contract, a strong volunteer network on the lake performed an amazing job in reviewing most of the videos captured.

Launch	Date In	Date Out	2012 Videos	2012 Viewed	2011 Videos	2011 Viewed	2010 Videos
County D	4/29	10/19	10088	9674	0		
Funnys Bay	4/29	10/11	7794	7727	5689	1663	5943
Lake-woods	4/30	10/19	14741	1813	14334	10076	16889
Garden Lake	6/5	10/19	1889	474	0		
TOTAL			34512	19688	20023	11739	

Two suspect violations were seen in 2012, one of which resulted in a citation issued by the sheriff.

Northland college students paid by a grant from the WDNR spent 283 hours monitoring the launch sites and educate boaters. Students will again be employed in 2013.

Conclusions:

Overall the boat conditions seen were remarkably clean of weeds or fouling compared to other sites that we review. Numerous cleanoffs at the launches were also seen with many boaters reacting to the recorded messages at the sites. The increased awareness of boaters to arrive clean is due to many factors including these prevention programs. Of course, having a boater receive a ticket this year and publishing this in the local paper certainly creates word of mouth in the community.

The prevention of the introduction of Aquatic Invasive Species into Lake Namakagon is of primary importance. While interns from Northland College were onsite to perform inspections, they cannot be there all the time. This is why the I-LIDS presence around the clock and audio messaging is important. The limited number of weeds being seen launched into the lake, interaction with camera, and people seen inspecting their boats at these sites shows that people are more diligent in taking proper steps to clean their boats before and after launching.

The full report is posted on our website, www.nlaonline.org.

FUN ON THE WATER

2012, marked the first time we have moved the event to a Saturday. It was a great success, attended by over 100 individuals. The highlight for many of the children was the fishing contest and this year we increased options for the youngest with new games. Al Stawiki and Linda Fischer deserve a big thank you for organizing this annual event. We are extremely grateful to all of our sponsors for their contributions to make this a success and their financial support.

A special recognition to those contributing to our t-shirts: Camp David Reality, Inc, Four Seasons Resort, Rick Yerhot Builder, West Wind Resort, The Lakewoods Resort, Garmisch USA, Pla Mor, Recreational Rental Properties, Inc, CF Web Services, B Team, The Loon Saloon, Zimmer, Pioneer Bar, Cable Lumber and Home, Holden Insurance Agency, Rookery Pub Fine Dining, and Ammos' Evergreen.

Stay tuned for the 2013 date.



VOLUNTEER DINNER REPORT

Volunteer dinner was very well attended, approx 35-40 people came. The dinner consisted of cheeseburgers, brats and grilled chicken and were cooked by the men of the board: Steve Riley, Greg Dehring and Steve Musser, delicious. There was a brief and humorous presentation by ESF representative Eric Lindberg, describing the function of the ILIDs and also a slide show of what the ILIDs "see" at various landings. The public got a sense of what our functions at the landings do to benefit our community due to Mr. Lindberg's presentation.



MEETING DATES 2013

March 9 (tentative) NLA Meeting
 April 20 NLA Meeting
 June 8 NLA Meeting
 July 14 NLA Meeting
 August 17 Annual Meeting

Come visit us on-line!

www.nlaonline.org



LAKE NAMAKAGON COURTESY CODE

Know and obey Wisconsin boating safety rules.

Be courteous on the water. Remember, anglers fish early and late in the day.

Stay far enough away from the shoreline to prevent wave-action erosion and to safeguard nesting waterfowl.

Inspect and clean your boat, motor and trailer to prevent the spread of exotic species.

Please immediately report any exotic species to the Namakagon Lake Association.

NEVER empty your bait bucket or release live bait into the lake.

Empty AND dry all live wells, bilges, and ballast tanks BEFORE entering the lake.

Operate motorized boats at slow speeds in shallow water.

Observe "no wake" zones.

Operate your boat or personal watercraft with consideration for

Welcome to Lake Namakagon

Namakagon Lake Association - Preserving & Protecting Northern Wisconsin's Lake Namakagon

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It is our goal to preserve and protect Lake Namakagon as an environmentally healthy watershed, by sponsoring educational programs, adopting a pro-active role in the formulation of water and shore land regulations, and responsible use of this unique and irreplaceable resource for all citizens.



R-E-S-P-E-C-T

RESPECT:
The rights of others.

ENVIRONMENT:
Enjoy wildlife from a distance.

SAFETY:
Heed the boating regulations - go slowly.

PEACE:
Watch your nose and your wake.

ENJOY:
Have fun - share the moments with your friends.

CONSIDER:
Other people and creatures on the lake.

TRASH:
Take your trash home.

Important Dates

April 21, 2012
NLA Board Meeting

NLA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President:	Linda Fischer	(715) 794-2166
1st Vice President:	Steven Riley	(715) 794-2069
Secretary:	Denise Dupras	(715) 798-5087
Treasurer:	W. Steven Musser	
Members at Large:	Jeanne Baxter	
Members at Large:	Barbara Best	
Members at Large:	Greg Dehring	

Email board members: board@nlaonline.org

Visit our website: www.nlaonline.org

NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE IN BY-LAWS

At the 2012 Annual meeting there was a discussion about the date required for dues payment in order to be eligible to vote. After discussion, there was a motion made to amend the by-laws, article 1, section 3a "Entitlement to Vote" to the following "To be eligible to vote, all members must be 18 years of age and a paid member *by July 15th* prior to the Annual Meeting."

The change is highlighted and italicized. This was accepted by the Board and the by-laws amended.

NAMEKAGON RIVER PARTNERSHIP

News from a new citizen-volunteer river organization working to celebrate and conserve the upper Namekagon River.

<http://namekagon.org/>

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

STOP Help Stop...
the Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species

• Non-native, exotic species, such as Eurasian Water Milfoil, Purple Loosestrife, and Zebra Mussels threaten to harm the quality of our Wisconsin lakes.

• Before you launch your boat, please inspect and clean it, including the motor and trailer, to prevent the spread of exotic species into our Wisconsin lakes.

• Never Empty Your Bait Bucket or Release Live Bait into the Lake

• Please *immediately report* any exotic species to your local lake association, The Wisconsin Wetlands Association, or the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

• Visit the Wisconsin DNR website, www.dnr.wi.gov/invasives or contact the DNR at 608.266.9270 for more information or to answer questions about aquatic exotic species.

BE AWARE of your ACTIONS and HELP PRESERVE the ENVIRONMENT!

MISSION STATEMENT

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The Namakagon Lake Association, Inc.

P.O. Box 536
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ALERT: IT IS TIME TO PAY OUR ANNUAL DUES!!!

YOUR DUES ARE PAID THROUGH THE YEAR PRINTED NEXT TO YOUR NAME ON THE ADDRESS LABEL

To be eligible to vote, all members must be 18 years of age and a paid member by JULY 15TH, 2013.

NAMAKAGON LAKE ASSOCIATION RENEWAL OR NEW MEMBER REQUEST FORM

MEMBERSHIP DUE ANNUALLY ON CALENDAR YEAR BASIS – 2013

- Check here if NEW address or e-mail
- Individual Membership Per Person. . . # _____ X \$20.00 = _____
- Wildlife Watcher # _____ X \$25.00 = _____
- Loon Lover # _____ X \$50.00 = _____
- Lake Steward # _____ X \$100.00 = _____
- Keeper of the Lake. # _____ X \$200.00 = _____
- Other: # _____ X _____ = _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED. _____

Indicate preferred contact method: US Mail - Home US Mail - Lake E-mail

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: () _____ E-mail address: _____

NAME OF EACH VOTING MEMBER

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

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